

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of formatting data for populating a telecommunications switch, comprising ~~the steps of~~:

using a switch script-building program to extract ~~downloading~~ output-formatted data from the switch;

converting the output-formatted data to input-formatted data acceptable for input to the switch;

editing the input-formatted data, wherein the step of editing the input-formatted data includes adding new data to the input-formatted data according to a format of the input-formatted data, whereby the new data [[is]] comprises routing information, roaming information and NPA-NXX data;

transmitting the input-formatted data to the switch; and

populating the switch with the input-formatted data.

2. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1, further comprising ~~the step of~~ opening a link between a first computing system and the switch; and transmitting the input-formatted data to the switch via the link between the first computing system and the switch.

3. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 2, wherein ~~the step of~~ opening a link between a first computing system and the switch includes opening a Telnet session at the first computing system; and

establishing a communications link for transmitting data to and from the first computing system and the switch.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 3, wherein ~~the step of downloading~~ extracting output-formatted data from the switch includes ~~the steps of~~:

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using a switch script-building program to extract output-formatted data from the switch, wherein extracting output-formatted data from the switch includes launching a data formatting program on the first computing system, opening a graphical user interface for receiving downloaded output-formatted data from the switch, and copying the output-formatted data into the graphical user interface;

converting the output-formatted data to input-formatted data acceptable for input to the switch;

editing the input-formatted data, wherein the step of editing the input-formatted data includes adding new data to the input-formatted data according to a format of the input-formatted data, whereby the new data comprises routing information, roaming information and NPA-NXX data;

opening a link between a first computing system and the switch, wherein opening a link between a first computing system and the switch includes opening a Telnet session at the first computing system, and establishing a communications link for transmitting data to and from the first computing system and the switch;

transmitting the input-formatted data to the switch via the link between the first computing system and the switch; and

populating the switch with the input-formatted data

launching a data formatting program on the first computing system; and

opening a graphical user interface for receiving downloaded output-formatted data from the switch; and

copying the output-formatted data into the graphical user interface.

5. Canceled

6. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1, wherein ~~the step of~~ editing the input-formatted data includes ~~the step of~~ deleting data from the input-formatted data.

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7. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1, wherein ~~the step of~~ transmitting the input-formatted data to the switch includes ~~the step of~~ transmitting the input-formatted data to a second switch.

8. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1, ~~whereby the step of~~ wherein transmitting the input-formatted data to the switch includes ~~the step of~~ transmitting the input-formatted data to a plurality of switches.

9. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1, ~~whereby the step of~~ wherein populating the switch with the input-formatted data includes ~~the step of~~ populating a second switch with the input-formatted data.

10. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1, ~~whereby the step of~~ wherein populating the switch with the input-formatted data includes ~~the step of~~ populating a plurality of switches with the input-formatted data.

11. Canceled

12. Canceled

13-22 Canceled

23. (New) The method of claim 1, the input-formatted data includes identification information for identifying a wireless switch for a roaming telecommunications system and identification information for a residential telecommunication system.